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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Dissemination of information contained in  
CIA field reports concerning [ ]

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1. This memorandum presents for approval by the Director certain recommendations regarding the dissemination of [ ] reports received from the field. These recommendations are contained in paragraph 3, below.

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2. In view of the sensitivity of the [ ], dissemination of CIA reports bearing upon various aspects [ ] has presented certain problems during the current period of formulation of US policy. The recommendations noted below are designed to assist the appropriate elements of the DD/P in effecting proper and secure dissemination of all information regarding [ ] which may be of assistance to the interested departments.

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3. It is recommended that information contained in CIA field reports concerning [ ] be handled in accordance with the following procedures:

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a. Information reported from the field relating to CIA operations, i.e., concerning operational details, should not be disseminated either under our normal dissemination procedures or through special communications, such as [ ] memoranda, without prior clearance at the policy level. It is recommended that this policy level consist, as appropriate, of the DCI or the DDCI, or one of the following:

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Deputy Director (Plans)  
Assistant Deputy Director (Plans)  
Chief of Operations, DD/P

b. Information reported from the field revealing the actions or contemplated actions of friendly governments

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The dissemination of each such report should be decided upon by the policy level noted in a. above, taking into consideration the facts and circumstances of each individual case. It is recommended that dissemination of this information be restricted to certain key individuals in the Departments of State, Defense

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*the Special Asst. for Intelligence*

and the JCS. Under such an arrangement recipients would be the Assistant Secretary of State for NEA Affairs, and higher policy echelons in State, the Under Secretary of Defense or such person as he may designate by name, and the JCS (such officer as may be designated by the Chairman of the JCS). Material in this category would not be normally disseminated to the Service intelligence agencies in the absence of specific authorization. It is the DD/P's understanding that any field dissemination of the type of information considered in this sub-paragraph shall be on an "Eyes Only" basis to State Department Chiefs of Mission. Counter-acting measures by the opposition are, of course, to be treated as intelligence and disseminated as such.

c. Routine dissemination should apply only to information which does not reveal either directly, or by too close implication, the operational plans, preparations and activities of friendly governments.

d. Guidances to the field governing collection activities bearing upon [ ] should also be carefully considered and passed upon at the policy level noted in a. above.

e. In respect to the collection activities and reporting of other US intelligence agencies, it is considered that there should be a uniform policy in this regard in respect to [ ]. Without such a policy, CIA's efforts to insure the security of highly sensitive information may well be wasted. It is recommended that this matter be discussed with the other Government departments concerned to arrive at a uniform policy in this regard.

f. If the Director concurs in these recommendations, it is proposed to discuss them with appropriate representatives of the Departments of State, Defense and the JCS, with a view to assuring their implementation.

*and the NIC.*

(Signed) FRANK G. WISNER

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Deputy Director (Plans)

CONCUR in Recommendations contained  
in Paragraph 3, sub-paras a, b, c,  
d, e, and f, above.

Signed G. P. Ladd

Director of Central Intelligence

20 SEP 1957

(Date)

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